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To Our Readers We Cheerily Say—"A Happy, Joyful Christmas Day!"

Curling Rink Echoes With Loud Cries Of Sweep! Sweep!

Bassano curlers are now hitting their full stride. The curling game is going strong every night, and many are deserted of men folk who gather at the call of the clan to leave station, with bonnets, and thrust constriction into the "wand" camp with wet socks and bristles to the button.

The curling starts at 7 o'clock and the shouting never ceases until about 11 or 11:30, for two draws are being played every night, the first at 7:00 o'clock, and the second at 9:00 o'clock.

President Wins
President M. E. Granlund broke the long line of presidential losses when his team of seven rinkers scored a victory over the team of Vice President W. F. Keith. This competition was run off last Thursday and Friday. The president's team: Granlund, Currie, Pierson, McDonald, Flanagan, Barlow, and Roy Smith. The vice president's team: Keith, McEwan, Holmes, Scott, Blankinship, Joe Stiles, McMillan.

Caretaker Jim Scott has the ice in pretty fair shape, although No. 1 sheet has developed one or two "runs" during the past few days. The handicap system was put into effect when schedule play started on Monday. It will be given a trial, and if found satisfactory the system will be in effect throughout the season.

Rosemary News

ROSEMARY, Dec. 15—Owen Lake of Duesch, was visiting the Schmidt family Sunday.

Teddy Morgan is working for Mr. Lagarde this winter.

Mr. Moller is leaving for Oregon this week.

Miss Margaret Norton and Nell Tauffert made a business trip to Bassano last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kapper entertained at cards Monday evening.

Mr. Norton's chicken house, which he began last fall, is almost completed.

Mrs. B. Weddell is visiting with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Adams on the birth of a son.

Ray Wilfley, Jean Norton, and Nell Tauffert have been suffering from colds the past week.

Mr. Frank and Mr. Whitehead, of Claresholm, were visiting friends here this week.

Mr. Conn is here from Medicine Hat this week. Mr. Conn has sold his store to a party from Calgary and the new proprietor will take charge Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Shores, Mr. and Mrs. Gallup, and Mr. and Mrs. Norton spent Sunday at the Brannwell home.

A Christmas tree and program is being held in the hall Friday night, Dec. 18.

Miss Cora Narum is expected home from Raymond this week-end.

Husar News

HUSAR, Dec. 15—The year has almost spent its days, and the holiday season is with us again. A spirit of joyful good-will is with us, and we earnestly extend the same old good wishes that have been heard throughout the centuries. Yet these same good wishes never seem out of fashion or behind the times, but ever new and ever welcome. We wish you a very merry Christmas, and a happy, prosperous New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. Holliston and Mrs. Green motored to Calgary on Thursday, and Mrs. Green after an extended visit with her brother and family, left by way of Chicago, where she will spend several weeks before returning to her home in Birmingham, England.

A large crowd attended the meeting of the U. P. A. in the Aid kitchen on Thursday afternoon.

The week was full of entertainment. The Atlas school had its term on Tuesday evening, and the Christmas celebration on Wednesday night. The Husar school plans for its entertainment on Friday evening.

Miss Brooks, who has been the guest of Mrs. A. M. Walters for a few weeks, part, returned to Turin on Saturday.

H. Keener returned from Calgary recently. He had been called there by the illness of his daughter, Pauline. Miss Keener was operated on for appendicitis, and was very ill for some time, but we are glad to say she is improving rapidly at present.

Miss Myrtle Bell was down from standard for the week-end.

Miss Madeline Keddle spent the week-end visiting friends in Calgary, and returned on Monday.

Jerry Keener and H. Nichol came down from Calgary on Sunday, and will spend a few days at the farm.

Miss Lotie Westland motored to Calgary the last of the week.

Mrs. W. D. Moffat and infant son arrived from Bassano on Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Brown went to Calgary on Tuesday.

The R. C. card party on Wednesday evening was a very enjoyable affair. Owing to the severe cold there were none in from the country, and only enough for nine tables. Five hundred was played, and the prize winners were: lady's first, Miss Lotie Westland; gentleman's first, T. Hawshaw; consolation, Mrs. E. N. Stiles and T. Burdett. The proceeds of the evening amounted to \$17.50.

The Ladies Aid met on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. A. Chiffard and the bags for the Christmas tree were made. A short business meeting was held later, and the ladies decided to give \$25.00 for local sunshine work. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Farley on Thursday, January 15.

Since there will be no more moving picture shows on Saturday night, the younger set began a series of card parties. The first was held at

Santa Claus Will Visit The Kiddies

Christmas Concert in Knox church
Friday Evening, Dec. 20

Santa Claus is coming to visit the children of Bassano on Friday evening of this week. He will be at the annual concert and Christmas tree entertainment in Knox Presbyterian Church.

The children have prepared a fine program of songs, sketches, and readings. The program commences at 8:00 o'clock, and everybody is invited.

Stores Will Have Two Day Holiday

Stores in Bassano will be closed Christmas Day, Wednesday December 25, and also the following day, Thursday the 26th.

For the convenience of the public the stores will be open Monday and Tuesday evenings, December 23 and 24.

The home of Margaret and Jason Bell, and sixteen were present.

There was much food for thought in the sermon preached by Rev. H. E. Gordon on Sunday night on the topic "Penny Wise and Pound Foolish."

He illustrated by the stories of Lot and Isaac, in which a poor choice was made, and showed the importance of making the right choice of career, especially for the young people of today.

J. M. Walters and children have been quite ill with the flu the past week.

A crowd went out from here to the dance and entertainment at Atlas, and they report a good time.

Mrs. S. Vermillion went to Calgary on Tuesday.

Mrs. T. A. Hawkshaw entertained in honor of Mrs. Macdonald and Miss Macdonald who are leaving Husar on Saturday to make their home in Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Farley motored to Calgary on Wednesday.

C. T. Armstrong and Roy H. E. Gordon motored to Calgary on Wednesday.

Moore, T. and J. Dawson slipped a carload of hogs from Husar on Tuesday.

The men of Husar had a bon on Tuesday and built a fence on top of the skating rink. The fence is eight feet high on the north and seven feet high on the other sides.

There is an unlimited supply of water and the rink is being flooded. It is expected the rink will be open for use by Saturday. J. H. Hark was appointed custodian of the rink.

A second flooding of river water on Wednesday put a good top ice on the curling rink, and the position vice president competition is expected to be started one of these evenings.

Christmas Messages

A HAPPY CHRISTMAS

(By Rev. R. D. Harrison)

We hear of those who complain that the enjoyment of Christmas is not worth all the time and work in preparation for it, and it is not at all surprising that some of the more reason to say so that make the complaint. On the other hand there are those who spend long and arduous hours to the same, serving their fellow creatures in stores, who are still able to smile and happiness from Christmas Day to make more cheerful people around.

The truth of the matter lies in the fact that happiness does not depend upon any balance between work and leisure. Its secret is not to be discovered by any mathematical formula. How many there are who have started life with such a theory of calculable happiness and have thought to produce it by they would produce a favorable balance in business. By such a pursuit of it happiness has escaped them. They have lost the secret of it.

Happiness is the inhabitation of the spirit of man, and freely dwells only with the generous and kindly. All our Christmas preparations can only mean to induce it in any thing. The worst they may become just as surely means to dislodge it.

Christmas happiness is happiness in its highest and truest spirit, for it springs from the substance of the all-pervasive spirit of love. It is associated man by love with Him who is the Author of his fullest life and his noblest ideals. It urges man to give of his best to his fellow happily and generously, that no happiness may be increased for all, then and here.

The understanding of this secret belongs to those who find, with the shepherds at Bethlehem, God in man, love incarnate—a complete harmony between the Creator and the creature by the free gift of love.

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

(By Rev. P. C. McCrear)

Long, long ago the child Jesus was born at Bethlehem of Judaea, a little town of that country that nestled cozily among the hills. On that eventful night the shepherds watching their flocks on the hillside heard the angel sing. The wise men in the east, star diviners, saw a bright and guiding star. Hence that night men and women of many nations in ever increasing multitude, join in the celebration of his birth.

In our western land, far distant from the scenes of Biblical lore, Christmas has become a most generally accepted institution. Once again Christmas comes to western towns and farmsteads—Christmas with its happy children faces, its mellow firelight glow, its merry sound of bells.

It would be a pity if, amid the activities of the Christmas season, we should miss the real meaning of its message. It is helpful to read again the Gospel record, to follow the shepherds as they hasten to pay homage to the new born King. To learn the birth of Jesus was a supreme event. It was the "fulfillment of God's promise to his people. It was the dawning of a new day for all humble folks, the ushering in of a 'kingdom of love and light.'"

"Then ever thus, 'First the humble folk, and then the wise men traveling from afar to lay precious gifts at his feet. The wise men seek signs and wonders in confirmation of his majesty, but the humble and believing can hear the angels sing. What a glorious Christmas tide it would be if that same joy and devotion swept across the world! It humble men could hear the angels sing, and wise men and their followers, little children, would be the coming of the Prince of Peace!"

Countess News

COUNTRESS, Dec. 15—A Matlock returned the last of the week from California where he went to the golden wedding of his parents.

Miss Marion is arranging for a Christmas entertainment Friday afternoon, December 26. Parents are invited to attend.

Mr. Shepard and J. Dams are busy building a carload of lumber to the White Farm where it is to be used to build a shelter for sheep.

A. Matlock left on Monday for Calgary on business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cowan and family will spend Christmas at Makepeace with Mr. Cowan's parents.

Miss P. C. of Burn Brae school, is giving the children a Christmas party Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Gamble, Darrell and Carl took in the Juvenile Hockey Club dance in Bassano last Friday evening.

Forrest Cowan is a visitor at the H. Cowan home.

CHRISTMAS ON SPANISH MAIN



Christmas on the Spanish Main will be celebrated this year by passengers on the liner Duchess of Bedford, with English Mauser Honor ceremony for the first time in the history of the steamer. There will be a dinner with cap and bells and the ride in the barons of beef and board and other things which will make up a good dinner. A second flooding of river water on Wednesday put a good top ice on the curling rink, and the position vice president competition is expected to be started one of these evenings.



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Gem News

GEM, Dec. 15—A general meeting of the Gem and district school fair was held at Gem school on Saturday, Dec. 11 at 2:00 p.m. The following officers were elected:

Pres. - D. K. Douglas
Vice Pres. - J. P. Royer
Sec. - Fred - L. G. Rogers
Executive - Mrs. J. Gray, Mrs. N. Bancroft, Mrs. H. Robson, J. Sparks.

The time for the fair was arranged for September, 1920.

Mrs. Wattenhall is expecting a visit from her niece, who will arrive from Montana as soon as school closes for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Dodd was a recent caller on Mrs. Keelling.

C. P. R. Carpenters, who have been working in the district reporting irrigation works and bridges, completed their work on Thursday, and left for Bassano on Friday.

Mrs. Barber, now of San Diego, and who a few years ago was a resident here, will spend the winter in the Colony. She is expected some day this week.

Mrs. and Mrs. J. P. Royer and Gerald were supper guests of Mrs. D. C. Portney.

Mrs. Keelling is anticipating a visit from her son Ted, who is farming in Indiana.

Miss H. Wattenhall returned home from the Bassano Hospital on Monday quite recovered from her recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Williams left Gem Colony on Thursday last for Ashland, Oregon, where they will make their home.

Mr. Douglas, with Margaret and John left for Vancouver and Victoria on Monday afternoon, where they plan to enjoy Christmas holidays.

Gem school staff and pupils are preparing a very interesting program of plays and recitations for their annual concert to be given on Saturday evening, December 26, at the Gem school.

A Christmas tree, with Santa Claus too, will be there. A cordial invitation is extended to all members of the community to be present.

HUNTER HOTEL OPENS NEW LUNCH COUNTER

L. Y. Birnie, new proprietor of the Hunter Hotel, has opened a new lunch counter in the sample room of the hotel. The lunch counter is located on the side street off the main thoroughfare.

"Tommy Atkins" A Great British Picture

A great British picture, "Tommy Atkins" is coming to the Gem Theatre Friday and Saturday this week. The picture is a story of a British soldier in the Boer War.

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If you liked "Dean Geste" you will thrill at this story of two men in love with the same girl, fighting out their destiny and risking death in desert battles with native tribesmen in order that one of them could make her happy. It fires the blood, stirs the imagination, and brings a heart thrill. Love—thrill—romance.

Hoot Gibson is coming Monday and Tuesday next week, December 23 and 24, in "Burning the Wind." This is a William MacLeod Raine story, and shows Hoot and fifty wild riding cowboys, a Spanish Benito in distress, Hoot to the rescue, moonlight and roses, mad deeds at midnight, hard fighting, speedy action.

"Naughty Baby" is looked for the holiday attraction, Wednesday and Thursday next week, December 25 and 26. Come and see adorable Alice White hitting the high spots of comedy and drama.

Ervin Brent, Jack Oakie, Owen Lee and "Buckie" Gallagher star in "Fast Company," coming Friday and Saturday next week, December 27 and 28. The story was written by H. L. Hunt. It is a story of a man who is a thief, but who becomes a hero.

And you will believe it when you see him stepping around, singing, the slang in "Fast Company."

GEM THEATRE

The only Theatre between Medicine Hat and Calgary that is open six night in the week.

Fri. & Sat., Dec. 20th & 21st

"TOMMY ATKINS"

An All British Picture; Bigger than "Beau Geste"

A PASSES "U" PICTURE
ADMISSION - 25c and 50c, tax included

Mon. & Tues. Dec. 23 & 24

HOOT GIBSON in

"BURNING THE WIND"

Speed - Action - Fun - Romance
ADMISSION - 25c and 50c, tax included
A PASSES "U" PICTURE

Wed. & Thur., Dec. 25 & 26

Alice White and Jack Mulhall

in

"NAUGHTY BABY"

Comedy of "Ritz" Hotel Life

ADMISSION - 25c and 50c, tax included
A PASSES "U" PICTURE

Fri. & Sat., Dec. 13 & 14

A Big Comedy

"FAST COMPANY"

From the stage hit by Ring Lardner and Geo. M. Cohen
ADMISSION - 25c and 50c
A PASSES "U" PICTURE

Peace On Earth, Goodwill Toward Men

"Intelligence," a monthly review published by the League of Nations Society, in Canada, has rendered a real service to Canada, and incidentally to the cause of world peace, by printing its current issue the complete text of the magnificent inspiring speech delivered by the Hon. J. R. Macdonald, at the state dinner tendered him by the Government of Canada, in the House of Commons at Ottawa. Mr. Macdonald's fine message to the Canadian people, containing such a sincere and impassioned plea for international understanding and peace, was listened to over the radio by hundreds of thousands of people in this country and the United States. That national service is now strengthened by the reprint of the full text of Mr. Macdonald's speech, enabling people to read this message again and ponder over it at their leisure.

This same issue of "Intelligence," which, by the way, is distributed to members of the League of Nations Society throughout Canada, or can be had for the trifling subscription price of one dollar a year, also contains the text of the address given by Roch Pinard, the 18-year-old Quebec boy, who won the International Oratorical Contest, held at Washington, D.C., before President Hoover, in October last. The subject of Roch Pinard's address was "Canada Among the Nations," and, like Premier Macdonald's speech, is of intense worth to the consideration of the people of this country. It will intensify a Canadian's pride in, and love for his Dominion. Equally important, and essential to that pride and love, it will further impress upon all readers the absolute necessity for the cultivation of understanding and goodwill among all classes of the Canadian population, based on knowledge, which alone can render ineffective that personal appeal which has often been made by those who, designing persons seek to sway the emotions of our people. Mutual understanding, mutual goodwill, mutual appreciation of each other's good qualities, must exist as the basis of peace and cordiality of relations among the various races which make up Canada's cosmopolitan population.

Domestic peace in Canada, it is hardly necessary to say, is the first requirement if this Dominion is to successfully play the role of peace protagonist among the nations of the world. From the inception of the League of Nations, Canada has been one of its most influential members. The influence of this Dominion in the councils of the nations is far greater than its population and wealth and world power would warrant it to be. This influence has been achieved by Canada in solving for itself some of the most vexatious problems now troubling other countries. That influence can be retained and further extended to the extent only that the Dominion can practice the rule of conduct which the maintenance of peace among all nations demands shall be observed.

Canada stands for world peace. This fact is recognized by all nations. It is also recognized that peace is possible only when there is no war. It is membership in the League of Nations that our presence there is solely from a desire to serve others and further the cause of international goodwill and world peace. As a people we have been unflinchingly and unhesitatingly shouldering an unwelcome war was forced upon mankind. We gave in unflinching measure, and we are paying our own bills without asking help from anybody. This is recognized and appreciated by other nations, and our influence is correspondingly great. So, too, is our responsibility. We have therefore, first of all to be true to ourselves and to those ideals we advocate for adoption by all other peoples and nations.

Finally, "Intelligence" meets with satisfaction the offer of Premier Mackenzie King to provide suitable copies of the Briand-Kellogg pact outlawing war to Provincial Departments of Education which will undertake to distribute them to the schools, and to churches which will give it a place in their studies. Unquestionably the future peace of the world depends on the determination in the minds of the people, consequently through the schools and churches can the next generation be best reached. The pact, to which Canada's signature has been adopted, is a true instrument of national policy, should have a place on the walls of every church and school through out this broad Dominion. It is a message of "Peace on earth, goodwill toward men."

CONGRATULATIONS WINTER

Herman Trell Is Pleased That Red Spring Reward Highest Honors

"Nobody is more pleased than I am over the fact that Joseph Smith, of Wolf Creek, Alberta, has won the world's best championship at Chicago," declared Herman Trell, of Wembley, Peace River, former holder of the championship. "I am particularly pleased that Red Spring reward was the winning award."

It was recalled by Mr. Trell that the district where the championship wheel was proven was not previously a particularly good wheel country. The success attained by Mr. Smith, he added, showed that varieties of grain can be adapted to any conditions in Alberta and are bound to prove successful if the experiments are made by persons with the qualifications of the 1929 champion.

Head waiter—"The table in that corner is reserved for ladies."

Guest—"But there is no table in that corner."

Head waiter—"Well, no ladies ever come there."

The Egyptians of the pyramid-building age established a scale of proportion for human and animal sculptures.

Smothering Spells Couldn't Walk Far Gaspd For Breath

Mrs. F. W. Roth, Kelowna, B.C., writes: "For over a year I was troubled with smothering spells. It was impossible for me to walk, even a short distance, without having to gasp for breath."

A friend told me to try

MILBURN'S HEART NERVE PILLS

which I did, and in a short time I felt much better. I can now recommend them to everyone. Price, \$50, a box of all druggists and dealers, or mailed direct on receipt of price by The C. E. Johnson Limited, Toronto, Ont.

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Making Survey For Gibraltar Tunnel

Work Likely To Involve Large Political As Well As Engineering Features

The work of examining the rock strata of the Straits of Gibraltar for a tunnel between Europe and Africa is under way, but while the attention of the world is focused on its structural problems, the tunnel also involves political and engineering features.

During the World War the captain general at Cadix, who now is Premier Primo de Rivera, made a speech suggesting that Spain join the "new" side of the allies and that in return for this England should give Gibraltar back to Spain. The captain general felt his position for making this speech as an official. This was Primo de Rivera's first political speech.

When Primo de Rivera became dictator in 1923, no one remembered the action of the former captain general at Cadix. Spain always has had a secret desire to get Gibraltar back and it is expected the tunnel project will be a means to that end. It is obvious that if the premier made an arrangement to get Gibraltar back it would be an achievement that Spain never would forget.

A retrenchment program has been announced for Spain, and it is expected to perform very ordinary banking operations to facilitate its work, but it will always be constrained to live in strict accordance with the wishes of the central banks concerned. The dissent of any one of them would be sufficient to prevent its taking any step which it might desire.

Pirates Plans Frustrated

Chinese Pirates Are Captured By Aid Of Wireless

The alertness of wireless operator prevented the escape of Chinese pirates who killed the third officer of the steamer, "Hatching," attempted to board the vessel and finally set fire to it.

Two British warships, the "Berger" and the "Hatching," S.O.S. extinguished the fire and captured the pirates before they could get away. The two war craft towed the "Hatching" to Hong Kong, with all the pirates prisoners aboard.

The unions in their plans according to the regular system. They boarded the "Hatching" as regular passengers when the 2,080-ton vessel was bound for the Douglas Steamship Company, left Seattle for Hong Kong.

Early this morning they swarmed out and attacked the bridge. Members of the crew returned the fire and repulsed them. Third Officer K. A. Woodward died as the result of wounds and First Officer R. Perry also was wounded. Several of the pirates were killed.

Frustrated in their first attempt the pirates set fire to the ship. They apparently still hoped to gain control of the vessel, but they were repulsed. "Hatching" and escape in boats to the nearby shore. But they reckoned without the wireless operator and the war ships.

Interesting Wild Life

Many interesting wild animals known to most people only in a zoo can be seen and studied in their natural environment in Waterton Lakes National Park, in the southwest corner of the province of Alberta. In this reserve there are bighorns, or Rocky Mountain sheep, mountain goat, black bear, moose, elk, beaver, and many kinds of small fur-bearing.

Miller's Worm powders will clear the stomach and bowels of worms, so that the child will no more be troubled with worms. The worms are sweet to the taste and no child will be injured in taking them. They are harmless in their composition, and while in some cases they may cause vomiting, that must not be taken as a sign that they are causing harm, but as an indication of their effective work.

"Has my boy," wrote the proud parent to the school-master, "a natural bent in any direction?" "No," replied the master. "He gives every indication of being an industrial magnate some day. He gets all other boys to do all his work for him."

That Irritating Cough

will stop it, cough, and prevent taking internally with a little teaspoon of Mink's

MINK'S

WATSON'S TELEPHONE

The Watson Telephone System reports a noteworthy increase in its earnings for the ten months ended September 30, 1929, being \$243,887 as compared with \$187,877 for the same period of last year.

The New World Bank

Will Do For International Finance What League Does For International Politics

To the second League conference now or soon to be held in Geneva, will be presented the completed report of the committee of experts appointed to frame the articles and charter of the proposed Bank of International Settlements. Agreement followed long and protracted discussions, and as the headquarters of the bank have now been finally located at Zurich, Switzerland, early materialization of the project may be expected after the conference has adopted the report and otherwise ended the lengthy negotiations required to arrange the details of the new institution, as an integral factor in the German reparations settlement.

Bank, according to the present agreement, will not have as broad powers as have sometimes been suggested. It will simply take the place of the agent banks for reparations payments in handling the transfer of all sums between Germany and the Allies and for reparations to be paid and to receive. It will have the power to perform very ordinary banking operations to facilitate its work, but it will always be constrained to live in strict accordance with the wishes of the central banks concerned. The dissent of any one of them would be sufficient to prevent its taking any step which it might desire.

If the political problems still remaining in connection with certain parts of the League's trust agreement are satisfactorily worked out at this second conference, the World Bank will thus be definitely incorporated into the League's machinery. It will be submitted to the nations concerned for the ratification of their respective governments. A start will have been made to the League does for international finance, if the bank's beginnings are unimpaired, it is no telling the place it may some day come to hold in maintaining the peaceful balance of all international relations.

Advertising Agency Appeals

British Papers Urge People To Buy More Of Them

British doctors must be good fellows. They have uttered no word of protest against the tremendous influx of Canadian apples.

Every season Canada is sending Great Britain about 150,000,000 pounds of apples. For from one dozen to over this Canadian outpouring to keep the doctor away, they are doubtless contributing handsomely in the form of taxes to pay for the publicity of the Empire Marketing Board. At the present time in British daily newspapers, the advertisement for apples is urging the British consumers to "Buy Canadian Apples." Before initiating the campaign through the daily papers, the Empire Marketing Board inserted advertisements in the leading trade papers in Great Britain with the object of preparing the fruit trade for an increased demand for apples. In addition to the general advertisement in the papers with an aggressive circulation of over seven million readers, the Empire Marketing Board is sending out an instructive pamphlet telling about Canadian apples from the time when the sturdy Scottish settler at Inverlochy, John McIntosh, in 1796, produced the first famous McIntosh apple. The pamphlet includes a number of recipes for serving Canadian apples in puddings, pies, tarts and other dishes.

Outwitted Police

Students of Opatzberg, Hungary, who were resolved to conclude their demonstration by protesting against the reparations payments, kept police at bay by singing the national anthem during the police's attack. The police were forced, in accordance with army orders, to stand inactive at attention, while the singing continued.

One of the commonest complaints of infants is worms, and the most effective medication for them is Mother Grace's Worm Exterminator.

Synthetic Gold

G. P. Aston and H. W. Attack, two chemical researchers, of New Zealand, have made the statement that through an electric magnetic process they have been able to change certain elements into gold. During their research Aston claims he discovered a new force, "chromadym," which is said to be ten times more powerful than electricity.

Maatloze Telephones

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New Idea in Photography

Pictures Taken On Metal Without Medium Of Sensitized Plate

A fundamental discovery in photography that takes the "pictures" directly on cold, hard untreated metal without the usual photographic materials is reported by a team of scientists at Cornell University.

It reveals that seemingly imperceptible metal records on its surface impressions from the light of electrons and that these marks can be brought to visibility by the right kind of a "developer" exactly as photographic images are brought out on sensitized paper.

Mount Everest to nearly as high as the combined heights of Mount Cook, the highest mountains in New Zealand; Pail-Yuk, the highest in Japan; and Ben Nevis, the highest in the British Isles.

In 1850 New York State stood first in lumber production.

The Approved Headgear

All Criminals Wear Fished Caps When Out On Business

In nearly all the hold-up crimes that are committed one finds that the culprit men wear fished caps. It seems to be the approved headgear of the man of violence. Many young men are going around these days wearing no hats at all. They appear to be a simple and honest lot for one never hears of them taking part in robberies. There are some bareheaded robbers, but apparently no bareheaded ones.

The peaked cap is worn by many honest men and good citizens, but it would seem that no criminal goes forth to do his worst without putting his peaked cap on. It is only in fiction that one comes across a flat cap wearing a "plug" hat while on his errands of crime. The average criminal who puts on a top-hat feels within him an upward surge to a higher life. He feels well dressed and he is disposed to live up to it. A hard felt hat, too, appears to incline a man to gentle ways.

It is—and the police ought to study the matter—the reduction in the crime and its slow movement, and the collapse of the stock market. On the other hand, mining and industrial development in the West by branch-line railway construction, are beneficial influences; building has been at a peak; markets are found for new developments of industry, and while immigration shows a decline there is also a reduction in the number of unemployed. Coming to the trade situation in Canada, Sir Charles said in part: "Fundamental conditions are sound, and there is no reason for apprehension as to the ultimate future of Canada."

British Seaman'ship

Captain McNair, Commander Of "Maurelaine," Hon. Remembrance Record

A few days ago in New York the "Maurelaine," one of the greatest ships that ever crossed the Atlantic, collided with a car float and delayed sailing for 24 hours. A dispatch agency has been made of the "Maurelaine," said the collision was the first he had experienced in the thirty-five years he has been coming into the port of New York.

What a sidelight upon British seamen! And what a tribute to it! To bring a great ocean liner up New York harbor and dock her safely, is a task of tremendous skill. What other ships lying here, there and everywhere as thick as flies in the forest, with tramps, and yachts, and ferries, and tug-boats, and wharves, and a mighty ship of ten thousand tons within a specific small space demands the highest in seaman'ship.

Yet here have this Old British sea-dog, Captain McNair, who in the past 35 years must have sailed up and down the coast more than 100 times, with a record of one slight mishap. Truly, it is a marvellous record!

Things Tourists Never See

Most Interesting Parts Of Westminster Abbey Are Carefully Guarded

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A hotel within a stone's throw of the recently opened \$16,000,000 Royal York Hotel in Toronto, which housed nothing but bachelors, has been discovered by the Toronto police and, nearly thirty guests were charged with vagrancy later to the courts, resulting sentences from six months down. The hotel, which was of the European plan, the bachelors providing their own meals, was fitted up in an old house on the waterfront with cook houses, beds, fire places, stoves, thirty pounds of coffee and a copy thing but a telephone and a bath.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS
This being the last issue of the paper before Christmas The Mail takes this opportunity of wishing its readers the old, old wish for a very merry Christmas. May we think of gloom cast its shadows on the bright and happy scene of your Christmas day.

The finest thing about Christmas is the spirit of friendship and brotherly love which prevails at this time of the year. Although old as tradition the time honored practice of honoring the birthday of the Mass of Nazareth has lost none of its power to stimulate love and affection, and bind men together in the ties of spiritual brotherhood.

Christmas time is a season for saying kind words, doing good deeds, and reaching out a helping hand to old and unfortunate brother. He who would do these things has caught the true spirit of Christmas.

PRACTICAL SENSE
There will be considerable unemployment and suffering before the spring months come, and each community should make plans to offset the hardship which will come to some families.

"Sunshine money" can find lots of useful work to do at home in must cases instead of being sent to distant cities. The same amount of publicity may not be given the donors, but please remember the wise words of the Good Book, "Let not your left hand know what your right hand doeth."

A sort of clearing house could be set up for work requiring to be done by women and every effort made to provide at least a little work for the unemployed.

Bassano might furnish a lead to the towns of Alberta in this respect.

THE PRICE OF BREAD

While Canadian farmers are holding their wheat for higher prices, the country consumer views the attitude of the Canadian wheat grower with something akin to consternation and alarm.

Higher wheat prices mean an increase in the price of bread for the ordinary consumer, and this means added hardship in a country faced with serious economic problems and whose unemployed number millions.

Commenting on the wheat situation "John Bull," an English paper, says: "The Canadian Wheat Pool is still trying to hold up wheat supplies for higher prices. It threatens to prevent practically any wheat leaving Canada unless its prices are paid. We hope British millers will stand up against these methods. If the Wheat Pool wins, British housewives will have to pay more for their bread."

Based on the cost of farming in western Canada and the world's wheat supply on hand and in sight, the Canadian farmer cannot be blamed for wanting a few cents more per bushel for his wheat. He gathered a slim harvest this year, and he needs the money to pay his taxes, buy fuel, food, and clothing. And he needs the money to carry on his farming operations next spring and summer, for he will have practically no further income until next September.

CHRISTMAS JOY

This is the time when the grey old man

Leaps back to the days of youth; When brows and eyes wear no disguise.

But flush and gleam with truth; Oh, then is the time when the soul exists.

And seems right heavenward turning.

When we love and bless the hands we press.

When the Christmas log is burning.

—Cook.

Gift Him An S. P. C. A. Medal
"Oh, no, dear, I'm sure he's a kind man. I just heard him say he put his shirt on a horse which was scratched."

Chance to Kill Yourself

McIntyre: "I've a terrible corn on the bottom of my foot."

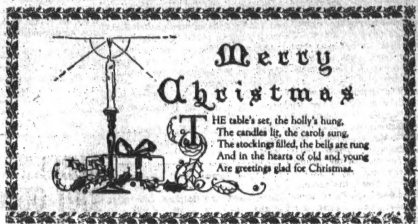
Pat: "That's a fofo place to have it. Nobody can step on it but you."

Museum Item

"Why is Mabel so angry?" The papers gave a full account of the wedding.

"Yes, but they put in that Miss Blackfield was married to the well-known collector of antiques."

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Two boon companions were on their way home from a Christmas Eve party. They had dined and wine well and were quite jovial. They came to a postal box. "Pardon me, old top," said one, "I must try this machine." He dropped a dime in the slot, then gazing at the city hall clock, said in horrified tones, "Migaud, I've lost twelve pounds since yesterday."

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A VISIT FROM ST. NICHOLAS

The famous poem that delights the
hearts of children.

(by Clement Clark Moore)

'Twas the night before Christmas,
when all through the house,
Not a creature was stirring, not
even a mouse;
The stockings were hung by the
chimney with care
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon
would be there;
The children were all fast asleep
in their beds;
While visions of sugar-plums danced
in their heads;
And mamma in her 'kerchief, and 'in
my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a
long winter's nap—
When out on the lawn there arose
such a clatter,
I sprang from my bed to see what
was the matter,
Away to the window I flew like a
flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up
the sash;
The moon on the breast of the new
fallen snow
Gave a lustre of midday to objects
below;

That shook, when he laughed, like a
bowl full of jolly.
He was chubby and plump—a right
jolly old elf;
And I laughed when I saw him, in
spite of myself.

A wink of his eye and a twist of his
head,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing
to dread.
He took tot a word, but went
straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings, then
turned with a jerk,
And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod up the chimney he
rose.

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team
gave a whistle,
And then they all flew like the down
of the thistle;
But I heard him exclaim, ere he
drove out of sight:
"Happy Christmas to all, and to all
a good-night!"

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To a widow's Grief is always added Worry.
There are funeral expenses to pay, doctors'
bills, and legal costs—these are the com-
mon lot.

But the farmer's widow has handicaps unknown
to even the most unfortunate of her city sisters.
For the seed is unknown; or the crop unharvested
and that means hiring help. And there is the
interest on the mortgage, and little to meet it
with. And there are implements to buy; stock
to purchase; seed to obtain—

Sell? But it is the wrong season, and if she moved
to town, for what task is she fitted and where
could she go? No! Her whole hope of comfort
and independence for herself and her children is
on the farm, if only there be ready money to
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A FAMOUS RECIPE

Yes, Christmas is only a few days
away. The stores are showing wares,
which tempt the eye of every buyer,
and holly, mistletoe, and wreaths of
evergreen are to be seen.

Such tantalizing odors from the
kitchen! As soon as you enter the
house you realize that Christmas
baking is in full swing. And there
is so much extra baking for Christ-
mas. Everyone who calls has to
have a piece of special Christmas
Fruit Cake, especially between Christ-
mas and New Years when adage has
it that a piece should be eaten from
a different household for every
month in the year to ensure happi-
ness.

Why, then make a small cake,
which, when the season is over, is
nearly done? The recipe which is
given below is a tested one and will,
as you see, make three medium sized
cakes. Or if you wish you may use
half quantities, but this cake keeps
so well in a cool place, rolled in oiled
paper, that if you have a family, it
seems to be a good recipe to always
keep in mind.

The proportions are: 3 pounds of
butter, 3 pounds brown sugar, 5
pounds raisins, 1 pound shelled al-
monds, 3 pounds currants or dates,
as desired, half pound lemon peel,
half pound orange peel, half pound
citron peel, 1 bottle vanilla, 1 bottle
almond, 1 nutmeg, 1 teaspoon cinnam-
on, 3 teaspoons soda, half cup of
corn syrup, 1 cup sour cream, one
and a half dozen eggs, 3 cups flour.
Cream butter, add sugar and cream
together, and add eggs one at a
time, beating well, and sift cup of
flour over fruit and mix well. Mix
all ingredients thoroughly. Bake
five hours in a moderate oven.

In bridge a good deal depends up-
on the player and the player depends
on a good deal.

With what to my wandering eyes
should appear
But a miniature sleigh and eight tiny
reindeer,
With a little old driver, so lively and
quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St.
Nick.
More rapid than eagles his couriers
they came,
And he whistled and shouted, and
called them by name:
"Now, Dasher! on, Cupid, on, Dunder
and Buzzer!"
To the top of the porch, to the top
of the wall!
Now dash away, dash away, dash—
away all!
As dry leaves that before the harri-
cane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle,
mount to the sky,
So up to the housetop the couriers
they flew,
With the sleigh full of toys and St.
Nicholas, too.

And he? In a twinkling I heard on the
roof
The prancing and pawing of each
little hoof.

As I drew in my head and was
turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came
with a bound.

He was dressed all in fur from his
head to his foot,
And his clothes were all furnished
with ashes and soot:

A bundle of toys he had hung on his
back,
And he looked like a peddler just
opening his pack.

His eyes how they twinkled! his
dimples, how merry!

His cheeks were like roses, his nose
like a cherry;

His droll little mouth was drawn up
in a bow.

And the beard on his chin was as
white as the snow.

The stump of a pipe he held in his
teeth.

And the smoke it encircled his head
like a wreath.

He had a broad face and a round
little belly.

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World's Grain Exhibition • To Be Outstanding Event In The History Of Canada

The World's Grain Exhibition and conference to be held in Regina in 1932 promises to be the greatest international event ever staged in the Dominion of Canada. Invitations are being given world-wide distribution, and it is anticipated between fifty and sixty countries will be represented.

The year 1932 also marks the fiftieth anniversary of the settling of that part of the prairie which now constitutes Saskatchewan, which makes it a fitting time to hold such a world-wide event.

The Federal Minister of Agriculture, Hon. W. R. M. McRae, is chairman of the general committee, and through his good offices the federal government at its last session voted an initial grant of \$1,000,000 in order to allow the committee to proceed with the preliminary work. This is being directed by J. A. Money, the manager, and D. T. Elderkin, the secretary. The temporary service have also been secured of Ernest Rhodes of the Imperial Department of Agriculture, and the secretary of the World's Poultry Congress held at Ottawa, in 1927, will be extremely valuable in getting this new world event off to a good start.

Steps are now being taken to prepare an announcement and prize list for world-wide distribution. This publication will be prepared so that it will contain a list of the most valuable prizes ever offered for any agricultural products. One example of this is the prize for hard red spring wheat which carries a first prize of \$25,000 and fifty other prizes ranging down to fifty dollars. Other prizes will amount well over \$200,000.

Included in the competitive classes are wheat, oats, barley, corn, buckwheat, rice, millet, field peas, field beans, and the seed of flax, hemp, alfalfa or lucerne, red clover, sweet and white Dutch clover, the grasses, Kentucky, bromine, red top, timothy, blue, Canadian blue, the Fescues and the Agropyron species, sudanese, field rye and garden vegetable seeds.

Such a prize list provides chances for every province in the Dominion, and for a great many other countries.

The competitive classes, international, national and provincial educational exhibits, and commercial displays may be termed the spectacular side of the event. This is the other side where Canada hopes to gain much, and that is the confidence.

Thousands of research workers along grain and seed lines are busy in all parts of the world attempting to solve the problems incidental to the production and marketing of these products. In 1932 Canadians will be the mecca for these experts, and the farmer will be able to hear and question these men. It is hoped learn the solution of many of the problems with which he is non-contented. Everything will be discussed from soils to markets, plant disease and insect pests, and farm machinery.

Grain from this year's crop may be the winning entry, and it behooves the grower and prospective exhibitor to commence his selection at once. The selection for seed for the 1930 and 1931 crop is also a point which growers would do well to keep before them, with the possibility of entries in the World's Grain Exhibition always in view.

White Blackberries
A Georgia granger, two years ago, found a white blackberry bush in the woods. He took a cutting from it and succeeded in cultivating white blackberries, the latest variety of the fruit. The white berry tastes like the black, but it has not yet been determined whether the bushes will be fertile.

Eighty sled dogs were taken by Commander Byrd on his Antarctic expedition.



THE VIEW A MAN GETS IN A TRAM
—Bonaparte, St. Louis, St. Louis.

W. N. U. 1806

Canadian Eggs Enjoy Excellent Reputation Imports For Britain Must To Bear Identification Mark

Canadian eggs have earned a reputation in the Mother Country as a result of the care that is taken in their production and in the grading and methods of marketing. From now on they will be required to meet a keener scrutiny in the British market. In accordance with a new regulation put in force by the British Government, all imported eggs have to bear an identification mark placed on each individual egg. Mr. W. A. Wilson, the agricultural products representative for Canada, in Great Britain, has expressed his view of Canada's prospects under the new regulations that have been introduced by the Merchandise Marks Act and the Grading and Marking Act, recently put into force. These measures require that all imported eggs be individually marked for identification with ink. In the month of April, Mr. Wilson writes, home produced eggs which were outstanding in quality, were sold at a price range from two to ten shillings per hundred more than stamped fresh eggs from any country. He says it is a direct outcome of the new "marking" laws, which has enabled consumers to know what they are buying. The demand for fresh eggs in England, however, has but a limited season. When these no longer meet the demand, Mr. Wilson is quite hopeful that such Canadian fresh eggs as are available will find a ready market on account of their known good quality. The present situation, Mr. Wilson regards, as one in which producers, dealers and exporters should exercise their utmost care to ensure that the quality of eggs go forward only in the freshest condition possible.

Sage Brush As Food To Many Of The Grasses

Analyses made by the Dominion Chemist at Ottawa, show that a number of the sage brush, which is a western plant species, is fair percentage of protein, especially in the younger plants. In this respect they are superior to many of the grasses. According to authorities, many species of sage brush are forage plants of considerable value, especially for sheep. The author states "whole bunches of sheep will leave all other forage and feed on sage-brush for a day or two but they will not touch it for days or even weeks."

Centenarian Signs For His Yesterdays

But Has To Admit This Is A Wonderful Age

James C. Bertrand began smoking when he was eleven years old and 90 years later, after dropping two ricks of wood a day for exercise, Bertrand lives at Blair, Washington, and is celebrating his 100th birthday on Labor Day, and spent the occasion listening to old-time fiddle music.

Bertrand cut his own wood for exercise and hauls it in his home three blocks away in his wheelbarrow. He is an easy rider and believes his regular habits responsible for his longevity.

He started to smoke at eleven and has continued it regularly. Bertrand came west eighty years ago and has been a consistent member of the Democratic Party ever since. He scratched his ballot twice for president, once in favor of U. S. Grant, and again for Eugene C. McCarthy.

"This is a wonderful age I live in," he remarked pensively as he tended his wheelbarrow.

"But I would rather have my yesterdays."

Insists He is Canadian

Ottawa Authorities Cannot Shave Decision Of Toronto Man

Despite the fact that the authorities say there are no Canadians in Canada excepting the Indians, there is one citizen in Toronto who refuses to call himself anything other than a Canadian.

This man's wife recently gave birth to a fine eight-pound baby girl. When the medical papers were completed the father wrote "Canadian" opposite the question, "What is your nationality?"

The form went to Ottawa. It was returned with a short note to the effect that there were no Canadians, and again replying the question: "What is your nationality?" The proud father scratched out the original answer and in larger lettering wrote above it "Canadian."

The form came back a second time, and was returned, this time in red letters were written: "Damn you, I am a Canadian."

The form is still in Ottawa, and father, mother and infant are all proud of their Canadian nationality.

Mistress: "But why should you wish to leave after being in my service for 45 years?"

Maid: "Well, ma'am, I don't want to go into a rut."

Smith: (Meeting Jones after many years)—Yes, our old friend Brown has gone to his everlasting rest. Jones: "What? Did he get that government job after all?"

The Romans introduced brick-making into Northern Europe.

New Calendar For Soviets

Government Decree Does Away With Universal Day Of Rest

The Soviet Government has revolutionized the calendar. Under the decree which became effective Sunday, September 29, the following things happened: The year has 73 weeks of five days each.

Workers get one day of rest, in five, but their employment is so arranged that only one-fifth of the population will be at the same time.

The universal day of rest has, therefore, been abolished.

Work days are half a hour longer to make up for the increase in rest days from 52 to 73 yearly.

All religious holidays have been abolished to make up for the increase in rest days from 52 to 73 yearly.

Only three holidays will be celebrated—May 1 and November 7, anniversaries of the revolution, and January 22, day of mourning for Nicolai Lenin.

Thus, members of the same family will find themselves without a common day of rest. They cannot go to church together, because some of them will be working.

Students received the order with mingled surprise and resentment. Probably nothing since the revolution has so closely affected the life of the ordinary Russian as the new calendar, which will transform the life of the ordinary into a productive unit in which the "thrum of machinery" will be unceasing.

Engineers and economists predict greater production and prosperity through the use of the new machinery and an improvement in the morale of the people because of the more frequent rest days.

It has been suggested that the days of the new five-day week be called "Monday," "Tuesday," and so on.

Wanderlust Of The Birds

Explanation Of Their Migrations Seems To Be Impossible

We call our restless, ever nomadic birds, but even Linnaeus is a stable stay-at-home compared to some of the birds. And no one has yet satisfactorily explained the phenomenon of these migrations of millions. Why do the birds that nest in the Arctic fly to the Antarctic, and not vice versa? Why do most of the birds of the Northern Hemisphere make these long, annual treks, while the phenomenon is so uncommon in the Southern? What makes the birds so restless long before the cold weather and the food supply gives out? Is it some strange, inherited preglacial memory? That is a hypothesis, but it only suggests another mystery: for how explain such memories in birds, and not in the king of the beasts, man?

Mission Of A Newspaper

Is To Publish What Intelligent Readers Will Enjoy

"A newspaper's highest mission," said Louis J. Jaffe, editor of the Virginian-Pilot, in addressing the Institute of Public Affairs in Charlottesville, Va., "is not to give the public what is relished and snatched up by readers of lowest mentality, but rather to present what is enjoyed and welcomed by readers of more than average intelligence and discrimination. It can hardly be denied that a general adoption of this ideal would lift the thought of newspaper readers to a higher level."

Honor Canadian Pacific Men

Andrew Boltz, 28, has solved the housing and rent problem. After working all day at the \$4,000, 000 breaker which he is helping to erect for the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company, at Lehigh Summit, Boltz climbs up a ladder to a tarpaulin which he has suspended by 20-foot ropes from the limbs of two tall trees. When he creeps in the weight of his body pulls the tarpaulin shut at the top making his bunk weather-proof.

Ants detect enemies and identify friends by the sense of smell, experiments show.

Life-saving certificates of the Royal Canadian Humane Society were recently presented at Port McNeill by Hon. Wm. Finlayson, Ontario Minister of Lands and Forests, to Car Inspector Alex. McCullough, No. 1, Constable Harry Goss, No. 2, and Chief Clerk J. A. Davidson, No. 3, who had rescued a Pacific Empire steamer, the Port McNeill, who had run aground from crowding Mr. Gaudreault, her 3-year-old daughter and Margaret Swales, who were crossing the lake from Victoria Harbor to Port McNeill, when the sea was high. In making the presentations Mr. Finlayson stressed the point that railroad men were at all times cool and collected in a crisis.

Another Titled Rancher

Former Russian Prince Is Making Millions In Alberta

Alberta has added one more to her list of titled ranchers. This time it is a Russian prince, formerly raised to the dukedom royal family through an alliance in the days of Peter the Great, but of recent years more or less a wanderer on the face of the globe, who has come to a happy home here. Prince Leontiev, twenty-five years old, married just about a year ago, is this latest titled rancher. He has bought over 400 acres of land on the McLeod River, five miles south of Edmonton, right in the heart of the big game country, and there he is going to raise—muskies!

On the land there is a lake which he has built, and this is to be the habitat of the colony of muskies. The prince plans to develop there already a few hundred muskies on the place, but a much larger number will have to be introduced. The lake is to be enclosed with three miles of wire fencing at a cost of \$2,000.

Prince Leontiev, who is to be done by the prince himself, though he will have a manager and a few helpers. He has studied far farming theories and has a number of theories that he intends to put to the test of practice, these having been brought by the prince from his agriculture of Lorraine University, where he studied for some years. It is not expected, however, that the prince will pay dividends until about 1932.

Airplane Shipments Comprise Many Things

Great Banking Firms Use Service For Sending Bullion

Even crooks are finding the airplane useful. An amazing case of it is the fact that for the first time, bullion has been smuggled by airplane into France recently came to light. The machines were made in England, and it is alleged that they were taken to France by an English airman, who smuggled them through the Customs at Le Bourget, and sent them to France by mail.

Perhaps the most striking of all tribute to the business value and dependability of the aeroplane is to be found in the fact that great banks now send cargoes of bullion by air almost every day. The "bullion airplanes" with its precious cargo in charge of well-armed guards, has an established feature air traffic.

A man has been sent as cargo in a goods aeroplane. Missing the last passenger machine, he noticed a "go" plane ready for flight. The goods were labelled with the name of the owner, who he wished to go, so he had himself packed up and labelled and put in with the best of the cargo. The aeroplane reached its destination, and the man, having paid the freight charges on himself, was duly delivered.

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Growth Of Juvenile Immigration From Britain Is Satisfactory To Colonization Officials

Plans for considerably increasing the flow of suitable British settlers to Canada were discussed at the annual conference of officials of the Colonization Department of the Canadian National Railway, which was held at the headquarters offices in Montreal recently.

The chief matter under discussion at the conference in British immigration. Satisfaction was expressed at the considerable increase shown in this class of settlement this year over the previous season, and plans were discussed which are calculated not only to bring out a greater number of Britishers suitable for land settlement, but also to improve still further the conditions under which they are being settled.

Dr. Black reported having had an interesting conference with Mr. Hon. J. F. Thompson, during his visit to Montreal. The growth of juvenile immigration from Britain and the manner in which the young lands who have come out to farms are making good, was one of the matters furnishing considerable satisfaction at the conference. R. M. Tyn, superintendent of juvenile immigration for the railways, reported that since arriving in Canada, he had been able to visit some of the boys out at work and this year and was greatly pleased at the progress they were making and with the good class of homes on which the boys were placed. He had been impressed with the work such organizations as the Rotary Club were doing in making a brighter interest in the British boys who have been placed on farms.

It is an extremely unfortunate fact that statements such as are attributed to "Honest" Brown "Morgan" should have been made," said the minister. "During the past few years numerous men have travelled throughout the Peace River area, whose lives on the North American continent have made them familiar with conditions incidental to a pioneer settlement, who, without hesitation, have expressed themselves as being astonished at the admirable conditions that exist in the Peace River area from the standpoint of transportation and social services, having regard to the brief period that has elapsed since the beginning of settlement."

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Advices Zones For Campers

Superintendent Of Prince Albert National Park Would Please All Types

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In a central area there would be ground for "rent-campers." These would provide tenting accommodation but include modern conveniences.

For those who prefer real camping, canoe trips and portages, the northern area would be reserved. Those who used this section would be what Mr. Wood termed "100 per cent campers."

He believed the area unique in that within its boundaries was a tableland which was really in the centre of the prairie. Fish were in abundance and during the commercial fishing years of 1920 to 1928, the annual official catch of trout was about 40,000 pounds. To this could be added at least 25 per cent.

A New Fish Story

A gentle dweller in the salmon runs of the Fraser River, four men from New Westminster, were shooting down the fast currents in a boat recently, tired and discouraged, for what had started out as a happy hunting and fishing trip, and yielded them caught but had longed. There was a wealth of water and something that glimmered that over the boat's gunwale two and a half feet above the water. It was a little towards the end of the day, and the boys were disappointed. Twelve pounds it weighed, a salmon.

Many a well-meaning man might be puzzled if he could blame the job on somebody else.

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It is proposed to use this donation to purchase new benches for our parks, as the present ones are in a very dilapidated condition.

—Exchange Newspaper.

Landlady: "I'm sorry to say the lady who gave me the recipe for this soup has just died."

Star Reader: "Then, out of respect, we'll all drink it in silence."

Mistress: "I don't like to have to keep complaining, Mary, but I do wish you would realize that when the master leaves his shoes outside the bedroom door, it means that he wants them cleaned."

Maid: "Very well, madam—and what does it mean when he leaves them outside the front door?"

All hands possessed was a penny and a plastic theory. He ordered a pub and saw a man who had just ordered a drink. "I'll bet ya a penny I can drink that without ya seeing me," said Randy.

"Done," said the man; and Randy drained the glass.

"But I saw you," said the man.

"N' right," said Randy, making for the door, "here's your penny."

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BASSANO, ALTA.

FOR RENT—In Bassano, garage buildings, having been occupied for a number of years by Mr. Roy Smith. Write me at 321 N. 5th Street, Dekalb, Illinois, U. S. O. C. Beatty. 24-26-c

ESTRAY—Near Hussar, on the premises of C. O. Harmer, E. J. Sec. 16-26-19-4, the following animals:

Black mare, white face, weight 1000 pounds, branded

on left thigh.

Iron grey gelding, 4 or 5 years old, weight 1200 to 1300, branded

on right shoulder.

Brown gelding, star on face, weight 1300 to 1500, 10 or 12 years old, appears to be branded

on left shoulder.

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on left thigh.

Bay mare, weight 1100 to 1200, branded on left hip

and apparently

on right shoulder.

Bay mare, white stripes on face, wt. 1100 to 1200, branded

on left shoulder.

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Local News

Harry Adams is down with an attack of the flu.

Geo. Graves and L. Goss were in from Morrisville on Thursday.

Canon Harrison made a trip to Calgary on Tuesday.

Mrs. Leslie Douglas, of Goss, was a visitor in Bassano on Tuesday.

Mrs. Penelope, of Chiswick, was a visitor in Bassano Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. McLean, who has been on the sick list, is reported to be much improved.

Miss Lucille Harrison, employed in the office of Robt. McLean, K. C., is leaving this week-end for Chicago.

Norman Scott, of Calgary, was a business visitor in Bassano on Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. H. O. Bordin returned home Sunday after spending a few days in Calgary last week.

Mrs. Corbett returned home Wednesday after visiting for a week in Calgary with her mother Mrs. Greer, and her daughter, Mrs. Hunsden.

Judge Macdonald, of Calgary, held district court chambers in Bassano this week. There were a number of applications for naturalization.

The cold snap early this week put the skids under the thermometer and was the coldest yet recorded down to 20 below zero Tuesday night.

The Juvenile Hockey Club dance in the Masonic Community Hall last Friday was attended by a rather small crowd. But the boys are not discouraged, and are taking a keen interest in hockey. They expect to put a good team on the ice this winter. The turkey were won by Mrs. W. King and Bob Morrison.

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Duchess News

DUCHESSE, Dec. 15.—Mr. Hardy, of Hanna, is now on the Royal Bank staff; John Allen, former lodge keeper, has been transferred to Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lauer are the happy parents of a baby girl, born at the Duchess Hospital on Wednesday, Dec. 12.

Mrs. Carl Salner and sons Howard and Ray, expect to leave about the first of the year for California, where they will spend the winter with Mrs. Salner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Towne.

At the wheat drive held in Liberty Hall Mrs. P. Miller got lady's first prize, Mrs. Gilbrath second; 3. Miller gentlemen's first prize, and P. Miller second.

The school is working hard for a program to be given Friday evening, Dec. 20th, in the U. P. A. Hall.

On Sunday the 22nd Rev. Turner will hold Christmas services in the United Church at 11 o'clock. Everybody cordially invited.

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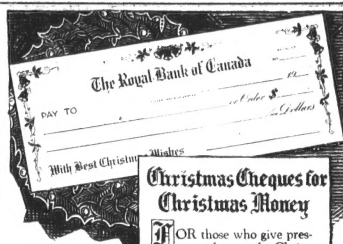
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BEST WISHES FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS

We thank our customers and extend to them

THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON

FAT'S QUICK LUNCH



Christmas Cheques for Christmas Money

FOR those who give presents of money for Christmas to relatives, friends or employees, we have prepared a special cheque printed in Christmas colours, which will be found most suitable and pleasing for this purpose.

You will find a supply of these cheques for your use on the desks in each of our branches.

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IN THE TWILIGHT HOURS OF A STRENUOUS, EVENTFUL, AND VERY HAPPY YEAR, THE MANAGEMENT, TOGETHER WITH EVERYONE ASSOCIATED IN OUR ENTERPRISES, JOINS ENTHUSIASTICALLY IN A MESSAGE OF GOOD WILLS TO THOSE WHOM IT HAS BEEN OUR PLEASURE TO SERVE

ROY SMITH and STAFF

May yours be a Christmas laden with joy and happiness

For hasty, last minute Christmas shopping

Come to the drug store

We have a great variety of useful and ornamental gifts

STILES "The Druggist"

This little message goes forth to your home charged with the Season's Greetings, and freighted with best wishes for your success throughout the coming year.

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For Christmas

We have arranged for a large stock of—
TURKEYS, DUCKS & GOOSE
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Before ordering elsewhere enquire about our prices

Chopped Beef,
LIBBY'S MINCEMEAT

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WORLD HAPPENINGS
BRIEFLY TOLD

The Canadian Privy Council will surely be greatly disappointed when the British freight rate appeal on January 25.

J. W. Collins, secretary of the Department of Industry and Commerce, has been appointed New Zealand trade commissioner in Canada.

The Canadian Government has under consideration the establishment of several additional steamship services for the promotion of Canadian trade abroad.

The Washington foreign service buildings commission has allotted \$1,000,000 for the purchase of land and construction of a new legation and office buildings at Ottawa.

Oriental immigration into British Columbia in 1928 was 573, exactly the same number as in the previous year. The provincial immigration bureau announced the curious coincidence.

The British Government may extend the farm workers' plan, J. H. Thomas, Lord Privy Seal in the MacDonald Government, said when announcing that Canada had agreed to take 5,000 men next year.

Dr. Augusta Stone Gullen, Toronto, first woman physician to graduate from a Canadian university, was honored recently by the medical alumnae of the University of Toronto, who presented her portrait in oils to the Academy of Medicine.

High Morrison, of Edmonton, 21-year-old son of the late Judge Morrison, of the Alberta district court, and Mrs. Morrison, has been selected as Alberta's Rhodes scholar for 1929. He was chosen from a list of four candidates.

To Cut Air Mail Schedule

Feasibility of Pick-up Device Proved By Tests

An air mail pick-up device, capable of receiving and discharging mail sacks while an airplane is in full flight, may cut existing air mail schedules fifteen minutes a day, according to the American Air Transport Association, which says that tests of the device already made, promise its future adoption on many of the country's twenty-four air mail routes.

The tests being made at Youngstown, O., have proved the feasibility of catching a mail bag of mail as it swings on the end of a 75 foot cable attached to a plane in full flight.

The device consists of a V-shaped trap, built in the ground. As the mail bag from the plane is caught in the trap, the device automatically attaches another bag, which is hauled up into the plane. Similar tests are being carried out in the receiving and discharging of mail at sea, on the S.S. Leviathan.

The theory which postal officials, air mail operators and the inventor are working on, is that an air mail plane can leave an airport, swoop down on the pick-up device, haul the mail to a similar device near the post office in the city at the other end of the line, and then go on to that city's airport.

Canada's Forest Areas

The total forest area of Canada, including the 82,260 square miles of forest on agricultural land, is estimated to be 1,151,454 square miles, and of this about 1,100,000 square miles is essentially forest land which can be utilized to the best advantage under forest.

Manitoba Tourist Industry

According to the latest figures Manitoba's tourist industry brought about \$5,067,000 into the province, or an increase of about \$1,000,000 over last year's figures. Convention visitors numbered 37,000, a gain of 8,500 over 1928.

While men have greater muscular strength than women, they have less vital stamina.



"When we were engaged you used to buy chocolate every time you went out."

"Yes, and I used to get two boxes every time I got the good kind of my trousers."—Pages Gales, Yverdon.

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Telephones To Ship At Sea

Can Communicate By Phone With Liners a Thousand Miles From Shore

Communication by telephone from the mainland with ships at sea became a permanent, commercial project with the inauguration of service between New York and the liner Leviathan, 200 miles off shore, bound for Europe.

President Walter Clifford, of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, formally opened the service by "ringing up" Captain Cunningham of the Leviathan.

The first actual commercial message to be delivered to the Leviathan by telephone came from Atlantic City, where, in his hotel room, William H. Franklin, advertising man, chatted for five minutes with Sir Thomas Lipton, a passenger. Franklin is the first man to pay money for such a privilege.

The service was perfect, Franklin said. The noted yachtman informed the advertising man that he will return to America next June, hoping to win America's Cup with the Shamrock V.

Telephone Company officials said communication with ocean liners will remain good until the vessel is beyond 1,000 miles from shore. The flat rate for a three-minute conversation between New York and the Leviathan is \$21, with an additional \$7 for each additional minute.

Pedestrians Wear Lights

Safety First Measure Is Adopted In The Streets Of London

Irate drivers of automobiles soon will be yelling "Lights!" at pedestrians. At a growing caution becomes universal. Traffic has become so congested in London, that wary pedestrians are rigging themselves with lights to warn motorists of their presence in the streets. One type of rear lights consists of an electric light and reflector mounted on a luminous card worn on the back, and suspended from the shoulders by a cord.

Canada's Highways Important

The highways in Canada are becoming increasingly important year by year in the economic structure of the country. Over them is carried a very heavy traffic, both passenger and freight, especially between the large cities and towns. At the end of 1928 the total mileage of surfaced roads in Canada was 64,121.

Four motorists came into collision at the same time at Birmingham. That's the worst of chasing the same pedestrian!

X-Ray Can Be Measured

To Determine Combined Effect Of Quantity and Quality

"X-rays may be measured as accurately as the pharmacist measures drugs in the drug store," said Dr. A. Mutchler, of New York, in a paper before the convention of the radiological society of North America, held recently in Toronto. "In modern medicine the greatest forward step was made when methods became known to weigh accurately a given drug and then also when its physiological strength could be determined. The importance of these two determinations arose out of the fact that drugs not only the quantity must be known, but also their power of effectiveness. The same holds true with regard to X-rays, for the measure of their effect depends neither upon their quantity or quality alone but on the combined measure of both."

Recipes For This Week

(By Betty Barclay)

MINCEMEAT DELICIOUS

- 4 lemons
- 2 apples.
- 1 pound currants.
- 1 cup raisins.
- 1 cup chopped nuts.
- 1 cup melted butter.
- 2 cups sugar.
- 1 teaspoon salt.
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon.
- 1 teaspoon ground nutmeg.
- 1 teaspoon ground cloves.

Squeeze juice from lemons and cook peel until soft. Put through a sieve. Add chopped apples and remaining ingredients, mix well and store in jars. Use as a filling for turnovers and pies.

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON DISH

- 1 box sardines.
- 1 lemon.
- 1 bunch radishes.
- Parley or watercress.

Remove cover neatly and entirely from a box of sardines. Place in a platter, and surround with wreath of parley or cress. Cut radishes in the shape of flowers, and arrange in the parsley. Cut lemons in halves, cross wise, and then cut in deep points. Arrange at the ends of plates, in the parsley. Serve very cold.

Fruit Men Study Conditions

Representative fruit men of British Columbia have gone to the Prairies to watch the handling of their crop and learn the attitude of the consumers and the retail trade.



Atheism In Russia

No Effort Spared To Wipe People Away From All Religious Belief

Atheism has become almost a state creed in the "Holy Russia" of the Czar. Under the Constitution, the Soviet Government recognizes the two principles of freedom for all forms of religious faith and separation of Church and State. But renunciation of religious faith is a condition of membership in the ruling Community Party, and in its junior organization, the Union of Communist Youth, and no effort of agitation and propaganda is spared to wean away the peoples of the Soviet Union from all forms of religious practice. The uncompromising hostility of Communism towards religion was expressed by Lenin in the following terms: "Religion is one of the forms of spiritual oppression, by which everywhere on the masses of the people who are oppressed by eternal world's others, need, ignorance, superstition, and the helplessness of the exploited classes in their struggle with the exploiters just as inevitably generates a better life beyond the present, and as the helplessness of the masses in his struggle with nature produces faith in gods. . . . Religion is opium for the people."

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Left Valuable Information

Modern Astronomers Surprised At Records Collected By Early Indian Ruler

There lived in India, in the seventeenth century, a ruler known as Jahangir, 2nd Singh II, and being less interested in astronomy he evolved a series of structures which, though not now used for practical purposes, constituted the most unique astronomical instruments in existence. He appears to have collected all kinds of astronomical books, and some of his workers to foreign countries to gather information. Having determined the kind of instruments required on which to make the necessary recording of the movements of the heavenly bodies, he selected five places in India as the centres in which the observations should be taken. The first he built at Delhi, and then others in Jaipur, Ujjain, Benares and Madurai.

The observatories in Delhi and Jaipur have been carefully restored. In addition to a number of metal instruments there are interesting instruments of some of them as high as 50 feet. Very accurate records were made of the observations of his staff of workers, and modern astronomers have expressed surprise at the valuable information thus collected. The ruler responsible for these interesting instruments died in 1743, and his wives, concubines and science expired with him on his funeral pyre.

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Contesting
Canada's Claim

Most Grumpy Arctic Norwegians Say It Proves, Says Newfoundland Premier

Canada's position with regard to the rights of the Arctic archipelago is unimpaired from the claim reiterated in June, 1923, by Hon. Charles Stewart, Minister of the Interior. It was made known in Government circles at Ottawa. News despatches from London had indicated that Premier Mowat, of Norway, had suggested the right of the archipelago to mark out the Arctic as possession in which Canada's interests were paramount. The Norwegian premier asserted in a speech at Bergen that Norway adhered to the view that territory could be claimed only when it had actually been occupied, and that since Canada had not occupied all the Arctic, this country's interests in Government circles at Ottawa.

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about the matter to him, but he told back. This was neither the time nor the place.

"There's a man named Grace," he said, "who lives over to the square with me. I live near there. We can sit on a bench and talk for a while. It will be good for you."

At no time, presently they emerged from the canyons of streets to the wide green spaces of Washington Square.

"I see how beautiful it is," said Grace. "I thought it would make you feel better. The street is so full of red and yellow, and see how the green grass looks looking under the trees. You will try this bench."

At last down and relaxed, his eyes had closed. The autumn morning sunlight shined down from between two skyscrapers, spreading far and near across the level expanse and lighting the white arch. Italian shun children played in the square while the motherly part of the square the under the arch of the rich toddler, under the watchful eyes of nurses.

"You say you live near here?" Al asked suddenly.

"Yes, just around the corner on Westway Place. I don't know it."

"Oh yes," Grace said. "Grace's rather black and lonesome life was borne home to Al in that one sentence—I mean, when Grace said, 'I live near here.'"

"I know it—just that. We'll talk a great deal about that later. But now you must go home and get some things. I'll come with you and I'll see you tonight at Blackie's."

Grace said before him, eyes glowing. "Thank you, Al," she whispered. She felt her hand seized. Suddenly he leaned over and kissed it.

"My love, this kiss, it's a thing you should do the thinking. You'll see me tonight and, if it comes to make a difference, you'll see a different person. You just won't know Al Stone in his glad garments. And listen—you see that hotel over there—the white one."

"Yes."

"That will be my address tomorrow. Then we'll be near each other and I can walk home with you every morning from Blackie's place. Tell Blackie I'm coming over to try out on him."

Al was walking away, with Grace staring after him. He strode along briskly now and when he reached the edge of the square he turned to wave good-bye to the intent little figure. For a moment Grace waited after he had disappeared, then she turned the other way toward her own home, thinking by who saw her face knew that one girl had found happiness.

Grace continued his story, his lips keeping up that rapid pace. He maintained it until he reached his hotel bedroom, then he sat down on the side of the bed, where a physical collapse. The room's dinginess and the feeling communicated of the life he had led in October, the first of his days of depression. But he fought it off, rose and began packing up and down.

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(To Be Continued.)

News Is Different

Oklahoma Paper Contains Society News

The great array of news from the Oklahoma Territory and villages is of interest to thousands of readers even though it is a certain amount of news.

The items all the year round. There are the comings and goings, the news of sickness, the deaths of the leaders, the quelling of the lawless.

Thursday, the chicken supper on Monday, and so on. Nothing of any interest to those who have not lived in the community, but eagerly looked for by present and former residents.

But the editor of the *Kingfisher* has had the idea of having a variety in his mail. Here is a specimen of recent news in his column.

"Society Tailor" entertained a few guests at his place Tuesday evening, and he appointed Elbert Rod Noe as director of the band and gave for the evening's entertainment.

Robert White Eyes and his wife, Mrs. Cross, were the guests of the side of Mrs. Caddo Woman, Wednesday.

"Little Woman" Bill Noe is visiting her mother, Mrs. Fighting Bill, who is sick in bed at the present time.

"Alonso Lone Wolf" has been reported as having a cold in the head. Mr. and Mrs. Rose Hartsman had a great guests Tuesday.

Grandma Good Woman enjoyed the band game last Friday. Of her home.

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Child Slavery in China

Authorities Find it Very Difficult to Deal With Situation

In connection with the introduction of a bill into the Hong Kong legislature for the abolition of the "coolie" system, whereby little girls are sold into domestic slavery, it was said recently that the system could not be done away with by legislation, but required the education of public opinion.

In fact this was the explanation of the failure of the British Government to do so. Lord Kimberley, then governor of the colony, found that while by law there was no slavery, in practice it existed. From then onwards there have been constant proclamations making the purchase of children between the ages of four and 14 illegal.

The obvious evasion was that by religion and tradition it was customary to "adopt" children as the companions of the wealthy or even as servants. Certain money passed, but that was only as a form of compensation.

In some ways, it was argued, the children were better off with their new owners as they got a domestic education and were trained to do useful work. However, it is common knowledge that these children were, and still are, treated with cruelty, made to work long hours, and even employed for worse purposes.

Big Project Being Planned

Engineers Discuss Reclaiming Water Section of Submerged Europe

A project for reclaiming a vast section of Europe capable of supporting 20,000,000 people and which is now the North Sea 500,000 years ago is being discussed by engineers. If ever the scheme would go far towards solving Europe's problem of over-population.

Technically the plan is feasible, say the engineers. The plan is to build a dam to prevent the flow of the sea into the English Channel, and to reclaim the land between the sea and the dam.

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School Report

Grade I, "A" Class
1 Mary Gogol, 2 Ada Horne, 3 Jack Howe, 4 David Hall, 5 Patsy Smith, 6 Norman Ingeberg, 7 Henry Morris, 8 Helen Berlinger.

Grade I Junior
1 Elaine Sambrook, 2 Mary Walsh, 3 Betty Hamar, 4 Billie Plumer, 5 Allys Cawsey, 6 Graham Cuthbert, 7 Willie Schaffer, 8 Charles McMillan, 9 Nora Scheller, 10 Kenneth Cushman, 11 Ruth Appleby, 12 Irene Lippert, 13 Johnny Landsidel and Helen Sammons, 14 Leslie Lewis, 15 Chester Lewis, 16 Viola Lippert.

Grade II
1 Christine Playfair, 2 Lena Gogol, 3 Bobbie Currie, 4 Freda Sheski, 5 Rita Brock, 6 Lesora Lippert, 7 Ruth on Landsidel, 8 Norma Thistle, 9 Helen Gogol, 10 David Walsh, 11 George Skjeraven, 12 Colina Morrison, 13 Nellie Kamp, 14 Leslie Love, 15 Mildred Hall, 16 Tommy Pragnell, 17 Richard Travis, 18 Rosie Zeleski, 19 John Berlinger, 20 Owen Horne, 21 William Cope.

Grade III
1 Jack McFarlane, 2 Shirley Holmes, 3 Jean Marquardt, 4 Caroline Heeber and Violet Bacon, 5 Katie Berlinger, 6 Rhonda Schaffer, 7 Minnie Kamp and Kathleen Smith, 8 Jack Cawsey, 9 Jimmie Love, 10 Mary McDonald, 11 Ramsay Broadfoot, 12 Nellie Kamp, 13 Bobby Pragnell, 14 Douglas MacLean, 15 Dena Berlinger, 16 Edward Young, 17 Nick Gogol, 18 Andrew Berlinger, Archie MacLean not ranked.

Grade IV
1 Peter Angell, 2 Ronald MacLean, 3 Randal Zeleski, 4 Myra Sambrook, 5 Henry Schaffer, 6 Quentin Allen, 7 Naira Hamar, 8 Dorothy Lewis, 9 George Love, 10 Nola Love, 11 Raymond Marriott, 12 Edith Horne, 13 Bobby Travis, 14 Oscar Ingeberg, 15 Arnold Zeleski, 16 Jack Thompson, 17 Kate Lippert, 18 Bobbie Bacon, 19 Corneilus Kamp, 20 George Marquardt, 21 Mary Sheski, 22 Norma Shles and Goldwyn Smith, 23 Henry Lippert, Agnes Ruttschke and Verna Hermanson not ranked.

Grade V
1 Betty Plumer 91, 2 Jack Gregg 87, 3 Lorraine Parrott 79, 4 Norman Wright 77, 5 Robert Beck 76, 6 Jean Frazier 73, 7 Dorothy Heeber and Charley Honey 72, 8 Albert Ingeberg 66, 9 Rudolph Zeleski 65, 10 Rex Hagger 62, 11 Billy Smith 41, 12 Pamela Gilkes 55, 13 George Horne 52, 14 Jennie Ungarian and Richard Bond 49. Not ranked: Doris Patton, Rosie Ruttschke, and Agnes Meidinger.

Grade VI
1 Ben Plumer 92, 2 Dorothea Hall 85, 3 Jeanne Gamble 84, 4 Helen Travis 82, 5 Betty Johnson and Gordon Smith 79, 6 Martha Sheski and William Wilson 76, 7 Edwin Beck 75, 8 Daniel Morrison 72, 9 Jack Johnson, Willie Marquardt and Wallace Parrott 70, 10 Laundry Gogol and Walter Parrott 69, 11 Vernon Thompson 68, 12 Edna Horne 67, 13 Thekla Love 66, 14 Douglas Ford and Eileen Marriott 64, 15 John Bacon 62, 16 Clifford Johnson 61, 17 Herbert Landsidel 59, 18 Jack Smith 52, Floyd Hobbs not ranked.

BIG DANCE IN BASSANO ON NEW YEARS, JAN. 1st

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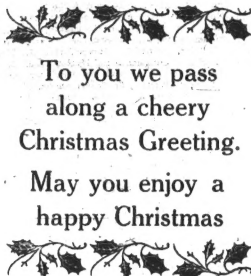
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